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Partial: Complete: XX ExplorationInspection Date/Time: August 24, 1993/08:00 AMDate of Last Inspection: July 13, 1993

Mine Name: Skyline Mine County: Carbon Permit Number: ACT/007/005
 Permittee and/or Operator's Name: Coastal States Energy/Utah Fuel
 Business Address: P. O. Box 719, Helper, UT 84527
 Type of Mining Activity: Underground XX Surface Prep. Plant Other
 Officials(s): State: Stephen J. Demczak Company: Keith Zobell
 Federal Official(s): Weather Conditions: Warm low 80's
 Existing Acres: Permitted-7067.11 Disturbed-62.08 Regraded-Seeded- Bonded-62.41
 Increased/Decreased: Permitted- Disturbed- Regraded- Seeded- Bonded-
 Status: Exploration/ X Active/ Inactive/ Temp Cessation/ Bond Forfeiture
 Reclamation (Phase I/ Phase II/ Final Bond Release/ Liability Year)

REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS & PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

Instructions

- Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
 - For complete inspections provide narrative justification for any elements not fully inspected unless element is not appropriate to the site, in which case check N/A.
 - For partial inspections check only the elements evaluated.
- Document any noncompliance situation by referencing the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments.

	EVALUATED	N/A	COMMENTS	NOV/ENF
1. PERMITS, CHANGE, TRANSFER, RENEWAL, SALE	[XX]	[]	[XX]	[]
2. SIGNS AND MARKERS	[XX]	[]	[]	[]
3. TOPSOIL	[XX]	[]	[]	[]
4. HYDROLOGIC BALANCE:				
a. DIVERSIONS	[XX]	[]	[XX]	[]
b. SEDIMENT PONDS AND IMPOUNDMENTS	[XX]	[]	[XX]	[]
c. OTHER SEDIMENT CONTROL MEASURES	[XX]	[]	[XX]	[]
d. WATER MONITORING	[XX]	[]	[]	[]
e. EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS	[XX]	[]	[]	[]
5. EXPLOSIVES	[XX]	[]	[]	[]
6. DISPOSAL OF EXCESS SPOIL/FILLS/BENCHES	[XX]	[]	[]	[]
7. COAL MINE WASTE/REFUSE PILES/IMPOUNDMENTS	[XX]	[]	[]	[]
8. NONCOAL WASTE	[XX]	[]	[]	[]
9. PROTECTION OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND RELATED ENVIRONMENTAL VALUES	[XX]	[]	[]	[]
10. SLIDES AND OTHER DAMAGE	[XX]	[]	[]	[]
11. CONTEMPORANEOUS RECLAMATION	[XX]	[]	[]	[]
12. BACKFILLING AND GRADING	[XX]	[]	[]	[]
13. REVEGETATION	[XX]	[]	[]	[]
14. SUBSIDENCE CONTROL	[XX]	[]	[]	[]
15. CESSATION OF OPERATIONS	[XX]	[]	[]	[]
16. ROADS:				
a. CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/SURFACING	[XX]	[]	[]	[]
b. DRAINAGE CONTROLS	[XX]	[]	[]	[]
17. OTHER TRANSPORTATION FACILITIES	[XX]	[]	[]	[]
18. SUPPORT FACILITIES/UTILITY INSTALLATIONS	[XX]	[]	[]	[]
19. AVS CHECK (4th Quarter-April, May, June) _____ date	[XX]	[]	[]	[]
20. AIR QUALITY PERMIT	[XX]	[]	[]	[]
21. BONDING & INSURANCE	[XX]	[]	[]	[]

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1. Permit -

- a) Division Order 92-C is for addressing the deficiency in the MRP. The material is under review at the Division at the present time. It has been submitted since March 17, 1993.
- b) There are no outstanding violations at Skyline.
- c) The second quarter pond inspection took place on June 9, 1993. Operator reports no hazardous conditions taking place at the ponds. The sediment pond located at the mine site will take place on September 7, 1993. The pond was planned to be cleaned earlier, but a new method failed. A new contractor will be on site.
- d) The second quarter refuse pile was inspected on July 2, 1993 and was P. E. certified. Operator has reported no hazardous conditions.
- e) The water monitoring report was reviewed for first quarter of 1993. Several parameters have no value showing nothing exists since the beginning of water sampling. Some of these parameters should be eliminated from the permit or done once a year. A few of these parameters do not exist in the MRP's of other coal mines. There may be an overkill in the number of parameters required by this mine.
- f) State Health (DEQ) is in the process of raising the maximum TDS of the UNPDES permit from 1000 mg/l to 1200 mg/l until September 30, 1994. This is when the present permit expires. In addition to a lower TDS standard the sulfates limits have raised to 1000 mg/l. These changes are part of the settlement agreement for being out of compliance with the present permit.

4a. Diversions -

The road diversion to the refuse pile has started to show signs of erosion due to the last storm events. Other ditches on the property were in good performance condition.

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4b. Sediment Ponds and Impoundments -

All sediment ponds did contain water due to the recent storm events. These ponds showed no signs of erosion to inlets, outlets or embankments. The mine pond is scheduled for clean out in September.

4c. Other Sediment Control Measures -

There are several areas throughout Skyline disturbed property that are Alternative Sediment Control Areas (ASCA). Several of these areas may have the necessary vegetation where Skyline could amend their MRP and qualify for small area exemptions. The operator will contact the Division and have an on site review of possible small are exemptions. The operator will also examine their ASCA documentation in the MRP and there is a possibility of submitting additional information.

Note: This inspection report does not constitute an affidavit of compliance with the regulatory program of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining.

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Mailed to: Coastal States Energy/Utah Fuel, Keith Zobell
Mailed to: Bernie Freeman (OSM)
Given to: Joe Helfrich (DOGM)
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